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Honorable David E. Bell
Director
Bureau of the Budget
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bell:

In accordance with Bureau of the Budget Circular A-19, revised, there are enclosed four copies of a draft bill, "To amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and for other purposes." This bill is submitted for clearance by the Bureau of the Budget prior to submission to the Congress. Also enclosed are copies of the "Explanation and Justification" which is necessarily classified SECRET and proposed letters of transmittal to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

The proposed legislation would establish for certain limited numbers of Agency employees a retirement and disability system corresponding to that available to Foreign Service Officers. In addition, the proposed legislation contains other provisions, most of which are designed to bring various allowances and overseas benefits available to Agency employees into consonance with current provisions of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended. Other amendments to the basic Central Intelligence Agency legislation are deemed necessary and are appropriately explained.

By letter dated 13 August 1962, the Bureau of the Budget advised there would be no objection to the presentation of a draft bill to the Congress which was subsequently introduced as H. R. 12923. Hearings were held on this bill before the full House Armed Services Committee and as a result the Agency, as a drafting service for the Committee, presented a detailed bill to that Committee on 4 September 1962 with copies being furnished to the Bureau of the Budget by letter of the same date. Title II of the current proposed legislation establishing the retirement and disability system is substantially similar to the corresponding provisions included in the draft bill forwarded to you on 4 September.

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For your information and in order to assist in the coordination process, we have forwarded copies of the current proposed bill to the Departments of State and Treasury and the Civil Service Commission.

I consider the enactment of the proposed bill into law essential to the effective performance of our mission and desire to submit it for the consideration of Congress as soon as possible after the 88th Congress convenes. If there is any additional information needed or if there is any way this Agency can assist in your consideration of the proposed bill, I assure you of our willingness to cooperate in every way possible.

Sincerely,

(Signed) JOHN A. McCONE

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Director

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